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PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

## AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL

LONDON.—F. ALDAN, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GROUSE STREET & CO., 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GORON, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES HENRY & CO., 37, Walbrook, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & CO., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street. W. M. WILSON, 151, Cannon Street, E.C. ROBERT WATSON, 150, Fleet Street.

PARIS.—AMÉDÉE PRINCE, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris.

NEW YORK.—J. STEWART HAPPE, THE CHURCH EVANGELIST OFFICE, 52, West 22d Street.

SAN FRANCISCO AND AMERICAN PORTS generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GORON, Melbourne and Sydney.

GEYON.—W. M. SMITH & CO., THE APOTHECARY CO., Colombo.

SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAVILE & CO., Square, Singapore. C. HEINZEN & CO., Manila.

CHINA.—Muzo, A. A. DA CHUL, Amoy, N. MOALU, Foochow, Heng & Co., Shantou, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & WALSH, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & CO.

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## Banks.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ..... £3,000,000. PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... £58,000.

LONDON: 49, Threadneedle Street, West End Office, 23, Cockspur Street.

BRANCHES IN ENGLAND, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives Money on Deposit, Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange, Issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, and Transacts Banking and Agency business generally, on terms to be had on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS: Fixed for 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 " "

ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

E. W. RUTTER, Manager.

Hongkong, September 4, 1890. 1692

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PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... £8,168,062.60. RESERVE FUND ..... £55,482,127.20. RESERVE LIABILITY OF ..... £8,168,062.60.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—H. L. DAILYMPLE, Esq. Deputy Chairman—J. S. MONES, Esq. S. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq. W. H. FORBES, Esq. L. POENICKER, Esq. Hon. J. J. KENWICK, Esq. D. R. SASSOON, Esq. Alex. McCONAGHIE, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER—T. JACKSON, Esq. MANAGER—John WALTER, Esq. LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

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THOMAS JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 11, 1890. 1693

## BANK.

### NOTICE.

#### NOTES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on work-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

Bonus less than \$1, or more than \$2,000 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,000 in any one year.

Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, at the beginning of January and beginning of July.

Correspondence as to the business of the Bank, if marked on Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

THOMAS JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 13, 1890. 1694

## Intimations.

### NOTICE.

#### THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

##### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

###### SECOND CALL.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified

that a SECOND CALL of \$2 Two Dollars per Share, is PAYABLE at the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, Hongkong, on or before the 1st November, 1890.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

CHAS. F. HARTON, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, September 30, 1890. 1711

#### THE CHINA-HORNED COMPANY, LIMITED.

### NOTICE.

#### THE Second Ordinary Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company, will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on SATURDAY, 8th November next, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to the 30th June, 1890.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st November, until the 8th November, both days inclusive.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, October 24, 1890. 1842

#### THE IMURIS MINES LIMITED.

### NOTICE.

#### SHAREHOLDERS are hereby informed

that the CERTIFICATES, for ENDORSEMENT, should accompany the BANK DRAFT sent in Payment of the FINAL CALL of 6½ per Share due on the 1st November, 1890.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, October 14, 1890. 1785

#### HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

### NOTICE.

#### THE Second COMPETITION for the Subscription CHALLENGE CUES and RANGE SPOONS will take place on SATURDAY NEXT, the 1st PROXIMO, commencing at 3.15 o'clock p.m. Range—500 and 60 Yards, 7 Shots at each range. Entries for this Competition to be made before 4 o'clock p.m. on FRIDAY, the 31st instant. Entrance Fee, 3½ Cents.

FRANK COLLINS, for Hon. Sec.

Hongkong, October 27, 1890. 1838

#### THE HOTEL MARINA.

### NOTICE.

#### THIS Strictly FIRST-CLASS HOTEL, now opened in the Harbor of Victoria, offers Guests exceptional advantages for Healthfulness and Refreshing Breezes; the avoidance of street noise and unwholesome odours, &c.

Grand Promenade Deck, airy Dining Room, Ladies' Parlour, Billiard and Reading Rooms, Commodious Bedrooms, with separate Bath-rooms and Verandas to each.

The TABLE D'HÔTE is unexcelled.

The HOTEL LAUNCH runs regularly to and from Peppa's Wharf and the Hotel, Free of Charge—for Time Table see Bills.

Hongkong, July 23, 1890. 1807

#### HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

### ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1889.

#### SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a list of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in Order that the DISTRIBUTION of the PROFITS reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st day of November next, will be adjusted by the Company, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, October 23, 1890. 1831

#### NOTICE.

#### I HAVE This Day REMOVED to No.

45 & 47, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A. DEVISON, Civil Engineer, &c.

Hongkong, 21st October, 1890. 1861

#### THE PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

### NOTICE.

#### Second Call of \$15 per Share due July 17th, 1890.

CHRISTY'S AND HEATH'S BLACK, BROWN AND GREY FELT HATS.

DOUBLE AND SINGLE TERRA AND OTHER SOFT FELTS.

LADIES' FELT HELMETS, AND

GALCUTTA PITH HATS.

TWEED CAPS.

ROBERT LANG & CO.

Hongkong, July 28, 1890. 1824

#### For Sale.

### FOR SALE.

#### THE SHIPMasters' RANDY BOOK,

At G. C. ANDERSON.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and Mr. WALTER BREWER.

Hongkong, October 21, 1890. 1824

#### FOR SALE.

#### A 5-BARRELED NORDENFELT MACHINE GUN, 450 Calibre, with Stand, Shield, Hoppers and all Fittings complete, in perfect order.

Apply to

CAPTAIN DEWAR,

Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, October 23, 1890. 1863

#### To Let.

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#### 1ST FLOOR of HOUSE, No. 15, PRAYA CENTRAL.

2ND FLOOR of HOUSE, No. 04, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Apply to

LAI HING & CO.,

No. 153, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, March 21, 1890. 1829



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ALEX. McCONACHE, Esq.

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##### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

###### SECOND CALL.

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###### THE SECOND COMPETITION

###### FOR THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

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###### THE ANNUAL SESSIONS OF HER MAJESTY'S JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

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## Entertainments.

THEATRE ROYAL.  
GRACIE PLAISTED'S  
"MY SWEETHEART"  
COMPANY.

To-night,  
THURSDAY, 31st October,  
and Saturday,  
and Performance  
of BELING'S GRAND OPERA  
"LA SONNAMBULA".  
With the kind Assistance of Mr. C. H.  
GRACE and Chorus of Amateurs  
as before.

SATURDAY, 1st November.  
OPENING OF COMIC OPERA  
"GIRLE-GIROFLA".  
Box 100 of Misses KELLY & WALSH.  
CHAS. HARDING,  
Manager.

Hongkong, October 30, 1890. 1850

## Mails.

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS  
TO JAPAN, THE UNITED  
STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND  
SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE,  
via  
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,  
AND OTHER CONNECTING  
STEAMERS.

THE Steamship *OLEIC* will be  
despatched for San Francisco, via  
Yokohama, on MONDAY, the 3rd  
November, 1890, at 1 p.m., connection  
being made at Yokohama with Steamers  
from Shanghai and Japan. P. 4.

All Postal Packages should be marked  
to address in full, and will be received  
at the Company's office until 5 p.m. the  
day previous to sailing.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—

To San Francisco ..... 225.00

To San Francisco and return ..... 393.75

To Liverpool ..... 325.00

To London ..... 332.00  
To other European points at proportion-  
ate rates. Special reduced rates granted to  
Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service  
and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be  
obtained on application.

Passengers by this Line have the option of  
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Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-  
embarking at San Francisco for China or  
Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be  
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and Japan to Europe.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo  
destined to points beyond San Francisco,  
in the United States, should be sent to the  
Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector  
of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight  
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central,  
C. D. HARMAN,  
Agent.

Hongkong, October 27, 1890. 1875  
U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA  
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING  
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN  
FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CHINA*  
will be despatched for SAN FRAN-  
CISCO, via YOKOHAMA, on THURS-  
DAY, the 13th November, at 1 p.m.,  
taking Passengers and Freight to Japan,  
the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-  
portation to Yokohama and other Japan  
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and  
Inland Cities of the United States, via  
Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad,  
and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico,  
Central and South America, by the  
Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to  
England, France, and Germany by all  
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

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To San Francisco ..... 220.00

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Francisco.

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Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central,  
C. D. HARMAN,  
Agent.

Hongkong, October 25, 1890. 1843

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor  
Owners will be Responsible for  
any Debt contracted by the Officers or  
Crew of the following Vessels, during  
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ADAM W. SEARS, American barque, Capt.  
A. D. Field.—Order.

NANCY PENDLETON, American ship, Capt.  
J. N. Pendleton.—Russell & Co.

FANNIE TUCKER, American ship, Captain  
John N. Frost.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

NICOLA, British barque, Capt. P. John-  
son.—Weller & Co.

SEA WITCH, American ship, Capt. Chas.  
H. Libbott.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

THE ROYAL, British barque, Capt. Wm.  
Wilson.—Russell & Co.

## To-day's Advertisements.

GARRISON THEATRE,  
NORTH BARRACKS.

MILITARY MUMMERS'  
will give  
TWO PERFORMANCES  
of HERMAN MELVILLE'S COMEDY,  
"ALONE,"  
On MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY,  
3rd and 5th of November 1890.

Precaded, on MONDAY, by "SARAH'S  
YOUNG MAN," on WEDNESDAY,  
"MY TURN NEXT."

Doors open at 8.30. To commence at 9 p.m.  
Tickets Reserved Seats (numbered), \$1.00.  
1st Seats, ..... 0.50  
Can be obtained from Colour Sergeant E.  
ADAMS, Commissariat Buildings.

Hongkong, October 30, 1890. 1870

## SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

October 30, 1890.—

Sea Witch, American ship, 1,238, Chas.  
H. Libbott, New York May 24, Keronine.—  
ADAMSON, BELL & CO.

Thales, British str., 820, W. V. Hunter,  
Tai-wa-oo, October 27, Amoy 28, and Swatow  
29, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

Nautilus, British steamer, 1,100, C. A.  
Coloma, Penang and Singapore October 22,  
General.—BELL & CO.

Kara, British steamer, 1,607, S. D'Ath,  
Kraut October 24, Coal.—Order.

Admiral Konig, Russian frigate 5,000,  
Captain Alexio, Vladivostock October 23.

Guy Manning, British steamer, 1,829,  
London and Singapore October 23, General.

Villars, French corvette, 2,624, Captain  
Le Bras, Yokohama October 23.

Independent, German steamer, 1,160, A.  
Hawkins, Saigon October 25, Rice and  
Paddy.—Weller & Co.

## DEPARTURES.

October 30:—

Mogul, for Shanghai.

Actie, for Hulow and Pakhoi.

Kohila, for Coas Ports.

Haiton, for Amoy.

Tatuan, for Shanghai.

## CLEARED.

Opak, for Singapore and London.

Kura for Manila.

Nan-han, or Bangkok.

## PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

For Thales, from Tai-wan-fo, Mr. H. W.  
Arthur, and 12 Chinese.

For Nan-han, from Penang; for Hong-  
kong, 97 Chinese; for Amoy, 63 Chinese.

For Guy Manning, from Singapore, 100  
Chinese.

For Independent, from Saigon, 1 Euro-  
pean, and 50 Chinese.

## DEPARTED.

Per Hailton, for Swatow, 5 Europeans,  
and 400 Chinese.

Per Haifong, for Amoy, 25 Chinese.

Per Kohila, from Hongkong; for Singa-  
pore, Mr. H. M. B. Chor, Lieut. Com-  
mander T. F. W. Ingram, R.N.; for P. Par-  
sons, Messrs. W. D. Ashton, Edward E. Mar-  
tin, Mrs. Brodhead and children; from Shan-  
hai, Messrs. W. W. King, W. S. King, Y.  
J. Nicks, and Mrs. Harvey; for Port Said,  
Mrs. Widler and 5 children. From Yoko-  
hama; for London, Masters H. Wanchope  
and W. Wanchope; for Marseilles, Mr. B.  
Hyde Person.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Thales* reports:

Tai-wan-fo to port, moderate N.E. breeze,  
and fine clear weather throughout. Sirs.  
in Swatow, Kuang-sang, Meefoo, Tongson  
and Singap.

The British steamer *Nan-han* reports:

Had light winds and N.E. swell to Mac-  
clod Bank, strong N.E. monsoon, and  
heavy sea to port.

The British steamer *Kara* reports:

October 25th to 27th, strong S.W. and  
Westerly winds, with heavy squalls and  
rain, remainder of passage, fine with light  
to fresh N.W. winds.

The British steamer *Guy Manning* re-  
ports: First part calm; latter part strong  
N.E. monsoon.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

## MAILS will close:—

FOR STRAITS & BOMBAY.—

For Venetia, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday,  
the 31st inst.

FOR SINGAPORE & LONDON.—

For Picciola, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the  
31st inst., instead of as previously  
notified.

FOR BANGKOK.—

For Picciola, at 4 p.m., on Friday, the  
31st inst.

For Nan-han, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the  
31st inst., instead of as previously  
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## NOTES OF CLOSING THE

ENGLISH AND FRENCH MAILED.

When the Packets leave at Noon.

The following hours will be observed in  
closing the Mails for Europe, &c., by the  
English and French Packets, as they  
leave at Noon. Two Money Order Office  
will be closed at 5 p.m. the day before,  
8.00 a.m.—Posting of Prices Current and  
Circulars cease.

(Prices Current and Circulars may  
however be posted up to 10 o'clock  
if they are tied in bundles, country  
by country, with the addressees all  
one way.)

10.00 a.m.—Regulatory ceases.

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be sent on Board with the same late  
fee.

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Our correspondent J.J.F.—initials which everyone in the Colony knows—has brought to light a fact which is not very generally known, viz. that a strong Committee of the House of Commons recommended that a share in the administration of the ordinary and local affairs of the Island should be given by some system of Municipal government to the British residents. Mr. Whitehead, at last meeting of Council called for a letter received by the Government from the Sanitary Board, in which that body recommended that it should at once constitute the supervising authority over the water supply and over drainage, public and private alike. Although sufficient notice was given of the question, the letter was not produced. Why, it is difficult to understand; but the letter is promised for next week, and Mr. Whitehead and his fellow unofficials, seeing they have such strong authority on their side, ought to make out a good case for the Sanitary Board. We cannot be accused of advancing too rapidly in Hongkong. The constitution of the Sanitary Board was a very small instalment of Municipal government, and the request that the Board should now have jurisdiction over water and drainage is surely a very modest one.

At next meeting of the Legislative Council, Mr. Whitehead will move that "the Council postpone consideration of the Estimates for 1891 for Public Works Extraordinary No. 29 on the Abstract List—in so far as regards the following numbers under that heading—Nos. 1, 8, 9, 11, 13, 15, 16, 18, 21, 25, 29, 32, 34, 35, 36 and 37, until Government lay on the table detailed and complete statements of the proposed works, showing what is to be done in each case and the necessity for the works, together with estimates and plans, including a definite statement of their intentions with reference to Drainage and Water-works." The works referred to are—the Central Market, the plan and estimates for which have long been promised but never supplied; improvement of the Recreation Ground, Happy Valley, on which some money has already been expended; Gaol extensions, a work not yet begun, which is estimated to cost \$100,000; Slaughter house and sheep and pig depots, for which, it is estimated, a sum of \$5,000 will have been spent by the end of this year, the total cost being \$9,000; public laundries, not yet commenced, cost \$25,000; Civil Hospital staff and cook's quarters, on which the work is about half advanced, and of which the total cost is \$73,000; Lunatic Asylum for Chinese, also about half finished, total cost \$20,000; Police Station, Kennedy Town, all but completed, \$30,000, having already been spent out of a total of \$41,000—money which might as well have been sunk in these, as the station stands in solitary grandeur near the entrance of the Harbour as a monument of official bungling; reconstruction of Governor's Peak residence, to cost \$40,000, work not yet commenced; Government Offices, extension and new Law Courts, a project which is only in embryo, and for which it is not contemplated to spend any money next year, total cost \$150,000; new water mains and distributive system of Victoria, for which \$37,000 will have been spent at the end of this year, the total cost being \$200,000; the sewerage of Victoria, on which \$40,000 will have been spent at the end of this year, and the total cost of which is \$82,500; the sewerage of Hung Hom and Yau Ma Tei, (not yet begun) which will cost \$10,000 and \$13,000 respectively; and, lastly, the Water Supply of the Kowloon Peninsula, a work not yet begun, the total cost of which is estimated at \$180,000. With regard to nearly all of these works the Council has received practically no information. Mr. Chadwick wrote detailed reports about the water and drainage works, some of which were laid on the table of the Legislative Council, but as to the details of the other work the Council knows next to nothing. And yet the Government was gaily ploughing into this enormous expense, and would have gone floundering on had not a scarcity of funds stirred up public feeling.

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The quantity and quality of Tommy Atkins' rations is a subject which we have more than once discussed of late. In Turkey the troops have recently tested the matter for themselves and entirely to their own satisfaction. The Turkish Ministry of Finance is administered with fins importance not observable in other departments. Moslems and Christians alike being unpaid. The army contractors at length struck and refused to furnish supplies of meat until they received their money, whereupon a deputation of soldiers waited upon the Ministry of Finance. The Turkish soldier is not the most placable of creatures, especially when piling on the rations of meat; and the deputation stated their case so forcibly that the Minister of Finance gave a hasty retreat, and promptly found means to satisfy the contractors and procure a continuance of supplies to the troops. Happily for the Ministry the office of the Ministry of Finance are specially planned for the reception of deputations, means being provided for the hussars Minister to escape by a back staircase should his visitors become impudent. —*St. James's Gazette.*

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**THE MAN BE ANNE TO FIRE.**—On the sea steam, with the aid of iron and steel, has been introduced by Mr. J. Crowley. It is to be fixed on the top-mast of the ship, and is in reality a structure having four arms with vanes on them pointed in white and red stripes on the other. The vanes are revolved by means of chains and cords passing over pulleys and running to the deck. A series of levers enable the vanes to be revolved and grouped according to an arbitrary code of signals. The messages can be signalled very promptly by a mere tyro. For night work the vanes are replaced by electric lamps with coloured reflectors, and the signals are made by interrupting the current, thus cutting off the light.

**AMONG THE MANY RARE CURIOSITIES WITH WHICH WINDSOR CASTLE ABOARDS, SAY "SILVER FAIR,"** is a very unique clock, which goes for a whole year when once wound up, and keeps excellent time. It is in the Zucarelli Room, which derives its name from the fact that the walls are hung with tapestries by that artist. Another curiosity is the huge mace-like vase in the Grand Reception Room, which was presented to the Queen by the Emperor Nicholas of Russia, and which up to last year was the largest in England. Now, however, Lord Rosebery is the possessor of one even larger. The Windsor vase is made of a mosaic of small pieces of mosaics so carefully fitted together that it is only in a good light that the joints can be seen. The vase is appropriately placed in the great north window of the Grand Reception Room, so that the light is always shed upon it. There are two other big mace-like vases at Windsor, one placed in the Queen's Drawing Room, and the other in the crimson Drawing Room.

**FRANCEIS** do not as a rule look very favourably upon the colonizing and civilizing efforts of England in Africa. We are accused of being Pharisees, and preaching to our neighbours what we do not practise ourselves. It is therefore all the more welcome to read the grateful testimony borne by Cardinal Lavigerie and Mgr. de la Meurthe in the "Mechanical Engineers' Association" expressing confidence in such a result in view of recent progress. Of what material, then, shall we construct the future civilisation? There is but one answer, so far at least, as the science and invention of to-day afford us any light; the metal aluminium promises all the necessary qualities for such an engine—likeness, strength, malleability, and ductility. —*A. G. Brock, in "Electric Power" (U.S.A.).*

**THE CHIMAY IN GORE.**—The chimay in gory has come; indeed, the rush to it at the present moment is far too great and eager to last. It is not simply men who work with their brain—judges, clergymen, artists, journalists, members of Parliament, and novelists—that have taken to it almost en masse, and are never weary of singing its praises (sometimes, it must be added, in very doubtful verse) as the sole perfect cure for dyspepsia, the gout, and worry. Young athletes are abandoning cricket and football for golf, and are competing with each other to see who can drive the longest ball! It is probable, however, that the attachment of such to golf will be but short-lived. The driving of a long ball from a tee is by no means, the whole, or even the most important part, of the play. Holes are, in this game, styled the "short game," by "approaching" to the hole with an iron club, and by "putting" on the level green which surrounds the hole. This "short game" requires absolutely no strength, but only deftness of the kind; however, which is quite as likely to be exhibited by a Nestor of sixty as an Achilles of twenty-one. In all probability, therefore, golf will be abandoned by young men, and will be replaced by a game for middle-aged men. Yet the present craze, if it last as long, will serve two useful purposes. It may entice order out of the chaos of golf etiquette. Certain general regulations, emanating in St. Andrews, are observed on all courses; but the by-laws of one green are sometimes different from the by-laws of another. This often leads to confusion and unpleasant disputes. It may be hoped, therefore, that the simple mode of discovering the points of the compass? He said that he had never heard of it. I presume, therefore, that the world is in the same state of ignorance as the inventor of the compass. I do not know what town boasts of my American friend as a citizen.

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The witness Devine, on being recalled, denied this statement.

The inquest was then adjourned till tomorrow.

#### CRICKET.

The following eleven will represent the Club on Friday and Saturday.

T. S. Smith (Capt.) Capt. Dunn  
Dr. Atkinson — Lumley  
J. Barton G. S. Woodcock  
E. M. Buir, R.E. E. G. Young, R.E.  
G. G. Boyle, R.E. A. N. Other  
S. W. Coxon

The match will commence at 2 p.m. tomorrow.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

##### AN APPEAL.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL." Hongkong, Oct. 30.

Sir,—Will you allow me through your columns to make known the wants of the shipwrecked crew of the yacht "Nippon" who are now under the care of the Board of Trade at the Sailor's Home. They have lost nearly all their effects, and are now nearly nothing but what they stood up in.

I feel sure that amongst many of your readers who have seen the account of the week in the paper, there are some who will be willing to give a little assistance towards new clothing for these men in their misfortune.

I may add that any sum received by myself shall be duly and thankfully acknowledged, and shall be expended in necessary clothing for the benefit of the men.

Thanking you beforehand for your courtesy in insuring this appeal, I remain yours faithfully,

A. GURNEY GODSMITH.

#### FOOCHOW NOTES.

(Foochow Echo 25th Oct.)

We learn that large orders have been sent up country for Broken tea and Siftings intended for Russia buyers, and that the amount obtainable of such classes will barely cover half of the demand.

Tong is the opinion of many that the barring of the river by the authorities during the Franco-Chinese trouble, is the cause of the present alarming state of its shallowness, there can no doubt but that the discharge of ballast from the Ningpo junks has a good deal to do with it.

The following are the tea cargoes of each steamer per Consignee returns since our 18th instant:

For London—  
S.S. Jason ..... 784,132 lbs.  
S.S. Education ..... 492,553 lbs.

For Continent of Europe,  
S.S. Jason ..... 6,129 lbs.

For Hongkong,  
S.S. Detection ..... 9,974 lbs.

The more general appearance and increased ravages of "Blight" in many Indian Tea gardens, in causing grave apprehension among Plasters, and unless some means be found to stay its progress, the value of some estates will be much less than at first estimated. Heavy floods, closely followed by severe drought, and the arrival of bl

## Intimations.

NOTIFICATION No. 600.

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO AND LABUAN.

REVENUE FARMS FOR 1891.

THE GOVERNMENT are prepared to receive Tenders for the following Farms for 1891:—

1. The Opium Farm.—Including the sole right to import raw or manufactured Opium for consumption in the Colony of Labuan and its Dependencies, and in the State or District of North Borneo to which the Farm applies, and to procure and sell and/or to license others to procure and sell Opium, Chloroform and Opium Drugs.

The Regulations governing this Farm are contained in a Late Ordinance No. II, of 1873, adopted in British North Borneo, and in Notification No. 117 of 1889.

The Maximum retail price allowed by the Regulations are as follows:—

| Tools, Chores | Hours | Rs. c.  |
|---------------|-------|---------|
| 6             | 8     | 0 10.00 |
| 3             | 24    | 0 0.00  |
| 0             | 6     | 2 1.00  |
| 0             | 2     | 9 0.00  |
| 0             | 1     | 0 0.19  |
| 0             | 0     | 1 0.02  |
| 1 Ball        |       | 40 00   |

2. The Spirit Farm.—Including the sole right to import and to sell and/or to license others to import and sell Chinese Wines and Spirituous Liquors of Chinese manufacture and the sole right to sell and to issue retail and who-sells licences to sell all other Wines, Beers and Spirituous Liquors.

The Farm is governed by Proclamations No. VIII, of 1889, and of 1888.

3. The Pawnbroking Farm.—Including the sole right to keep and/or to license others to keep Pawnbroking Establishments.

The Farm is governed by Labuan Ordinance No. III, of 1868 as amended by Ordinance No. I, of 1872, and Notification No. 131, of 1889.

4. The Gambling Restriction Farm.—Including the sole right to keep and/or to license others to keep Gambling houses, and to issue permits to Game.

The Farm is governed by Proclamations No. II, of 1883 and VII of 1889 and Notification No. 108, of 1889. It does not extend to Labuan.

5. The Customs Farm.—Including the sole right to collect all Import and Export Duties, payable to Government, viz.—On the East Coast—Export Duties on Rattan, Gutta, Wax, Birds' nest, Tin, Lead, and all jungle and sea produce; Import Duties on Tobacco, Spirit, Salt and Matches; On the West Coast—Export Duties on all jungle and sea produce, the same as for East Coast District. Import Duties on Salt, Spirits, Tobacco, Matches, Iron, Brass and Cloth.

6. The Blackan Farm.—Including the sole right to catch shrimps and to manufacture Blackan and/or to license others to catch shrimps and to manufacture Blackan.

7. The Birds' nest Farm, Dried Bag.—Including the sole right to collect the Government Share of 10% on all nests from Madai and Segalang Caves.

A separate Tender must be submitted for each of the above Farms.

Each tender may be for one or more of the following Districts or places, and if the Farm of more than one of the Districts or places mentioned is applied for, a separate Tender should be submitted for each District or place, viz.—

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2. The East Coast District from Tanjong Inarutang to Sibucco Bay, including Darvel, Lubuk, Segut, and Sandakan Bays, Kliasabatangan, Sogana and all rivers within the District.

3. The Simporna District from Simporna to Batu Tongat.

4. The West Coast District from Tanjong Inarutang on the North to Sipitong on the south, including Banguey and Balambangan Islands and also the Colony of Labuan as regards Opium only.

5. Kudat District.—From Kudat to Sempangmangjo Point to Sungai, including Kudat, Lubuk, Segut, and Sandakan Bays, Kliasabatangan, Sogana and all rivers within the District.

6. Gaya District.—From Sempangmangjo Point to Banguey River, including Taupassak, Abai, Ambong, Sulaman, Tuaran, Gaya Bay, Putatan, Papar, Kinabu and all Rivers south to and including Banguey.

7. Padas District.—From Kudat to Sungai, including Kliasabatangan, Padas Damit, and Padas Bear and all Rivers south to and including Sipitong; also the Colony of Labuan as regards Opium only.

8. The Colony of Labuan and its Dependencies.—For the Opium Farm only.

Each Tender should state the monthly payments for the year 1891.

Tenders for the Opium Farm for the whole State, and the Colony of Labuan or for the East Coast District, and for the Spirit, Pawnbroking, Gambling Restriction and Customs Farms, East Coast or Sandakan, will be received by the GOVERNMENT SECRETARY, Sandakan, or before 5 P.M., NOVEMBER, All Tenders should be under Seal and marked "Confidential Tender for Revenue Farm."

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